

S. R. No. 680—By Senator Watson: Memorial resolution for Mrs. Cecil Biggs.

S. R. No. 681—By Senator Watson: Memorial resolution for Russell O. Jordahl.

S. R. No. 682—By Senator Watson: Memorial resolution for Mrs. Rubye F. Carpenter.

S. R. No. 683—By Senator Watson: Memorial resolution for Mose Barron White.

Welcome Resolutions

S. R. No. 675—By Senator Watson: Extending welcome and privileges of the floor to Otis Gardner of McGregor.

S. R. No. 676—By Senator Watson: Extending welcome to sponsors and students of Axtell High School of McLennan County.

S. R. No. 684—By Senator Harris: Extending welcome to Mrs. Clarence Guittard.

S. R. No. 685—By Senator Creighton: Extending welcome to Brice Jackson et al.

S. R. No. 686—By Senator Herring: Extending welcome to teacher and students of Elgin High School.

S. R. No. 687—By Senator Brooks: Extending welcome to sponsor and students of Zion Lutheran School of Pasadena.

Adjournment

On motion of Senator Aikin the Senate at 12:07 o'clock p.m. adjourned until 10:30 o'clock a.m. Monday, May 5, 1969.

SIXTY-FOURTH DAY

(Monday, May 5, 1969)

The Senate met at 10:30 o'clock a.m., pursuant to adjournment, and was called to order by the President Pro Tempore.

The roll was called and the following Senators were present:

Aikin	Bernal
Bates	Berry

Blanchard	Jordan
Bridges	Kennard
Brooks	Mauzy
Christie	McKool
Cole	Moore
Connally	Patman
Hall	Ratliff
Harrington	Schwartz
Harris	Snelson
Hazlewood	Watson
Herring	Wilson
Hightower	Word

Absent—Excused

Creighton	Strong
Grover	

A quorum was announced present.

Reverend W. H. Townsend, Chaplain, offered the invocation.

On motion of Senator Aikin, and by unanimous consent, the reading of the Journal of the proceedings of Friday, May 2, 1969, was dispensed with and the Journal was approved.

Leaves of Absence

Senator Grover was granted leave of absence for today on account of important business on motion of Senator Aikin.

Senator Strong was granted leave of absence for today on account of important business on motion of Senator Blanchard.

Senator Creighton was granted leave of absence for today on account of important business on motion of Senator Kennard.

Senate Resolution 693

Senator Herring offered the following resolution:

Whereas, The people of Austin and the surrounding area of Central Texas are deeply grateful for the efforts of Mr. Isamu Taniguchi in creating the beautiful Oriental Garden in Austin's Zilker Garden Center; and

Whereas, Mr. Taniguchi, a native of Japan, came to the United States at the age of seventeen and moved to Austin from the Rio Grande Valley of Texas following his retirement in 1967; and

Whereas, Upon the occasion of the dedication of the garden, Mr. Taniguchi presented a message which said, in part:

"It has been my wish that through the construction of this visible gar-

den, I might provide a symbol of universal peace. By observing the genuine peaceful nature of the garden, I believe that we should be able to knock on the door of our conscience, which once was obliged to be the slave of the animal nature in man rather than of the humanity which resides on the other side of his heart. It is my desire for the peace of mankind which has endowed this man of old age the physical health and stamina to pile stone upon stone without a day's absence from the work for the last eighteen months. It is my desire for the peace of mankind which encouraged me in my voluntary labor to complete this long dreamed gift for the city of Austin--this Oriental Garden

"It is my wish that you have pleasant communion with the spirit of the garden."

Whereas, It is the wish of the Senate to express its gratitude and the gratitude of the people of Texas to Mr. Isamu Taniguchi for his gifts of beauty and inspirations; now, therefore, be it

Resolved, That the Senate of Texas of the 61st Legislature express its heartfelt appreciation to Mr. Isamu Taniguchi; now, be it further

Resolved, That copies of this Resolution be prepared for Mr. Taniguchi and for the City of Austin, to whom the gift of the garden was made.

The resolution was read and was adopted.

Message From the House

Hall of the House of Representatives
Austin, Texas,
May 5, 1969.

Hon. Ben Barnes, President of the Senate.

Sir: I am directed by the House to inform the Senate that the House has passed the following:

H. B. No. 874, A bill to be entitled "An Act creating and establishing a Conservation and Reclamation District under and essential to the purposes of Article 16, Section 59, of the Constitution of Texas, to be known as 'Chimney Rock Municipal Utility District'; declaring the District a governmental agency and body politic and corporate; defining the boundaries; finding that the boundaries of the district form a closure; finding that all property within the District will be benefited there-

by; conferring rights, powers, privileges, authorities and functions upon the District; providing for continuing supervision by the State through the Texas Water Rights Commission; providing for the power to contract and making provision for such contracts; providing that taxes may be levied, collected and pledged to support contracts to purchase water; providing that the Regional Waste Disposal Act shall be applicable; providing that no confirmation election is necessary; providing for a hearing on exclusions; providing that the District shall use the ad valorem plan of taxation; providing for addition or annexation of land; providing for the appointment, election and powers of a board of directors and related matters; providing for compliance with Article 7880-139, V.T.C.S.; providing for the power to borrow money, issue bonds, invest surplus funds and related matters; providing for the power of eminent domain, the use of public roadways, streets, alleys and public easements and the District bearing the expense of relocating of certain properties and facilities; providing for the appointment of depositories and a system of accounts and an audit thereof; providing for district offices; providing that powers may be exercised within or without the District boundaries in contiguous or noncontiguous areas; providing for minimum price of bonds; providing that no general law, including Article 7880-77b, V.T.C.S., pertaining to dissolution shall be applicable to the District; providing for notice of elections; providing for canvassing elections; providing that the bonds of the District are eligible investments and security; providing that the Municipal Annexation Act is not applicable to the creation of the District but that Article 1182c-1, V.T.C.S., shall be applicable; finding that the requirements of Article 16, Section 59(d) of the Constitution have been accomplished; finding that the District will be carrying out an essential public function and providing that District properties and purchases are tax-free; enacting other provisions related to the aforementioned subject; providing a severability clause; and declaring an emergency."

H. B. No. 1271, A bill to be entitled "An Act creating and establishing a Conservation and Reclamation District under and essential to the purposes of Article 16, Section 59, of the Constitution of Texas to be known as

'Harris County Utility District No. 6'; declaring the District a governmental agency and body politic and corporate; defining the boundaries; finding that the boundaries of the district form a closure; finding that all property within the District will be benefited thereby; conferring rights, powers, privileges, authorities and functions upon the District; providing for continuing supervision by the state through the Texas Water Rights Commission; providing for the power to contract and making provision for such contracts; providing that taxes may be levied, collected and pledged to support contracts to purchase water; providing that the Regional Waste Disposal Act shall be applicable; providing that no confirmation election is necessary; providing for a hearing on exclusions; providing that the district shall use the ad valorem plan of taxation; providing for addition or annexation of land; providing for the appointment, election and powers of a board of directors and related matters; providing for compliance with Article 7880-139, V.T.C.S.; providing for the power to borrow money, issue bonds, invest surplus funds, and related matters; providing for the power of eminent domain, the use of public roadways, streets, alleys and public easements and the District bearing the expense of relocation of certain properties and facilities; providing for the appointment of depositories and a system of accounts and audit thereof; providing for district offices; providing that powers may be exercised within or without the District boundaries in contiguous or noncontiguous areas; providing for minimum price of bonds; providing that no general law, including Article 7880-77b, V.T.C.S., pertaining to dissolution shall be applicable to the District; providing for notice of elections; providing for canvassing elections; providing that the bonds of the District are eligible investments and security; providing that the Municipal Annexation Act is not applicable to the creation of the District but that Article 1182c-1, V.T.C.S., shall be applicable; finding that the requirements of Article 16, Section 59(d) of the Constitution have been accomplished; finding that the District will be carrying out an essential public function and providing that District properties and purchases are tax-free; enacting other provisions related to the aforementioned

subject; providing a severability clause; and declaring an emergency."

H. B. No. 604, A bill to be entitled "An Act creating and establishing a conservation and reclamation district under Article 16, Section 59, Constitution of Texas, known as 'Northgate Utility District'; declaring District a governmental agency, body politic and corporate; defining the boundaries; finding the field notes and boundaries form a closure, and related matters; finding benefit to all property within the District; finding District is created for public use and benefit; conferring on District the rights, powers, privileges, authority, and functions of the General Laws of Texas applicable to water control and improvement districts created under said Article 16, Section 59, where not in conflict with this Act, and adopting same by reference; providing for continuing supervision by the Texas Water Rights Commission; stating the policy of the State with regard to waste control; prescribing the District's rights, powers, privileges and functions, and related matters; providing for no election for confirmation; providing for no hearing for exclusions except on written request or the board of directors' own motion; providing for notice of right to have an exclusions hearing; providing for no hearing on plan of taxation and adopting ad valorem plan of taxation; providing for addition of land to District and the assumption of bonded indebtedness by the added land, and related matters; providing for governing body of District; providing for qualifications and bonds of directors; naming first board of directors; providing for the filling of vacancies; providing for terms and election of directors and notice of directors elections, and related matters; providing for the letting of construction contracts and the drawing of warrants; providing for execution of contracts by the president; providing duties of vice-president; providing for compliance with Article 7880-139, V.T.C.S.; providing for bonds and refunding bonds of the District, and related matters; providing for approval of bonds by the Attorney General of Texas and registration by the Comptroller of Public Accounts; providing for the incontestability of bonds; providing the power of eminent domain shall be limited to the county or counties within which District is situated; providing District

shall bear expenses of relocating, raising, or rerouting any highway, railroad, or utility lines or pipe lines made necessary by its exercise of the power of eminent domain; defining 'sole expense'; providing for depositories; providing for an audit, and related matters; providing for the establishment of District offices, and related matters; providing for powers of District within and without the boundaries of District; providing for a plumbing code; providing for the sale of bonds and the price of such bonds; providing that Article 7880-77b, V.T.C.S., shall not be applicable to this District; providing that notice of all elections shall be under the hand of the president or secretary; providing for the canvassing of election returns; providing that bonds and refunding bonds of this District shall be eligible investments; providing that the Municipal Annexation Act shall have no application to the creation of this District; providing that District is subject to provisions of Article 1182c-1, V.T.C.S.; determining and finding the requirements of Article 16, Section 59(d), Constitution of Texas as to notice of intention to introduce this Act have been fulfilled and accomplished; providing the District shall not be required to pay any tax or assessment on its properties or any purchase; enacting other provisions relating to the aforementioned subjects; providing a severability clause; and declaring an emergency."

H. B. No. 1283, A bill to be entitled "An Act amending Section 18 of Acts 1965, 59th Legislature, Chapter 621, as amended (codified as Article 8280-333, V.T.C.S.) to provide for the sale of bonds by West Road Improvement District at a price not less than that provided by law; determining and finding that the requirements of Article 16, Section 59(d), Constitution of Texas, have been fulfilled and accomplished; providing for a severability clause; and declaring an emergency."

H. B. No. 1300, A bill to be entitled "An Act creating and establishing a conservation and reclamation district under Article 16, Section 59, Constitution of Texas, known as 'Timber Lane Utility District'; declaring District a governmental agency, body politic and corporate; defining the boundaries; finding the field notes and boundaries form a closure, and related matters; finding benefit to all

property within the District; finding District is created for public use and benefit; conferring on District the rights, powers, privileges, authority, and functions of the General Laws of Texas applicable to water control and improvement districts created under said Article 16, Section 59, where not in conflict with this Act, and adopting same by reference; providing for continuing supervision by the Texas Water Rights Commission; stating the policy of the State with regard to waste control; prescribing the District's rights, powers, privileges and functions, and related matters; providing for no election for confirmation; providing for no hearing for exclusions except on written request or the board of directors' own motion; providing for notice of right to have an exclusions hearing; providing for no hearing on plan of taxation and adopting ad valorem plan of taxation; providing for addition of land to District and the assumption of bonded indebtedness by the added land, and related matters; providing for governing body of District; providing for qualifications and bonds of directors; naming first board of directors; providing for the filling of vacancies; providing for terms and election of directors and notice of directors elections, and related matters; providing for the letting of construction contracts and the drawing of warrants; providing for execution of contracts by the president; providing duties of vice-president; providing for compliance with Article 7880-139, V.T.C.S.; providing for bonds and refunding bonds of the District, and related matters; providing for approval of bonds by the Attorney General of Texas and registration by the Comptroller of Public Accounts; providing for the incontestability of bonds; providing the power of eminent domain shall be limited to the county or counties within which District is situated; providing District shall bear expenses of relocating, raising, or rerouting any highway, railroad, or utility lines or pipe lines made necessary by the exercise of the power of eminent domain; defining 'sole expense'; providing for depositories; providing for an audit, and related matters; providing for the establishment of District offices, and related matters; providing for powers of District within and without the boundaries of District; providing for a plumbing code; providing for the sale of bonds and the

price of such bonds; providing that Article 7880-77b, V.T.C.S., shall not be applicable to this District; providing that notice of all elections shall be under the hand of the president or secretary; providing for the canvassing of election returns; providing that bonds and refunding bonds of this District shall be eligible investments; providing that the Municipal Annexation Act shall have no application to the creation of this District; providing that District is subject to provisions of Article 1182c-1, V.T.C.S.; determining and finding the requirements of Article 16, Section 59(d), Constitution of Texas, as to notice of intention to introduce this Act have been fulfilled and accomplished; providing the District shall not be required to pay any tax or assessment on its properties or any purchase; enacting other provisions relating to the aforementioned subjects; providing a severability clause; and declaring an emergency."

H. B. No. 1102, A bill to be entitled "An Act creating and establishing a conservation and reclamation district under Article 16, Section 59, Constitution of Texas, known as 'Ponderosa Forest Utility District'; declaring District a governmental agency, body politic and corporate; defining the boundaries; finding the field notes and boundaries form a closure, and related matters; finding benefit to all property within the District; finding District is created for public use and benefit; conferring on District the rights, powers, privileges, authority, and functions of the General Laws of Texas applicable to water control and improvement districts created under said Article 16, Section 59, where not in conflict with this Act, and adopting same by reference; providing for continuing supervision by the Texas Water Rights Commission; stating the policy of the State with regard to waste control; prescribing the District's rights, powers, privileges and functions, and related matters; providing for no election for confirmation; providing for no hearing for exclusions except on written request or the board of directors' own motion; providing for notice of right to have an exclusions hearing; providing for no hearing on plan of taxation and adopting ad valorem plan of taxation; providing for addition of land to District and the assumption of bonded indebtedness by the added land, and related matters; providing

for governing body of district; providing for qualifications and bonds of directors; naming first board of directors; providing for the filling of vacancies; providing for terms and election of directors and notice of directors elections, and related matters; providing for the letting of construction contracts and the drawing of warrants; providing for execution of contracts by the president; providing duties of vice-president; providing for compliance with Article 7880-139, V.T.C.S.; providing for bonds and refunding bonds of the District, and related matters; providing for approval of bonds by the Attorney General of Texas and registration by the Comptroller of Public Accounts; providing for the incontestability of bonds; providing the power of eminent domain shall be limited to the county or counties within which District is situated; providing District shall bear expenses of relocating, raising, or rerouting any highway, railroad, or utility lines or pipe lines made necessary by its exercise of the power of eminent domain; defining 'sole expense'; providing for depositories; providing for an audit, and related matters; providing for the establishment of District offices, and related matters; providing for powers of District within and without the boundaries of District; providing for a plumbing code; providing for the sale of bonds and the price of such bonds; providing that Article 7880-77b, V.T.C.S., shall not be applicable to this District; providing that notice of all elections shall be under the hand of the president or secretary; providing for the canvassing of election returns; providing that bonds and refunding bonds of this District shall be eligible investments; providing that the Municipal Annexation Act shall have no application to the creation of this District; providing that District is subject to provisions of Article 1182c-1, V.T.C.S.; determining and finding the requirements of Article 16, Section 59(d), Constitution of Texas, as to notice of intention to introduce this Act have been fulfilled and accomplished; providing the District shall not be required to pay any tax or assessment on its properties or any purchase; enacting other provisions relating to the aforementioned subjects; providing a severability clause; and declaring an emergency."

H. B. No. 709, A bill to be entitled "An Act prohibiting admission of evi-

dence of the settlement of a claim for property damage and/or payment of medical expense in a lawsuit for damages for personal injuries suffered in the same occurrence on which the property damage and/or medical expense claim was based; and declaring an emergency."

H. B. No. 696, A bill to be entitled "An Act relating to hunting quail in Leon County; amending Section 1, Chapter 236, Acts of the 60th Legislature, Regular Session, 1967; and declaring an emergency."

H. B. No. 445, A bill to be entitled "An Act relating to the jurisdiction of the County Court of Morris County and the 76th District Court over eminent domain proceedings; amending Sections 1 and 2, Chapter 378, Acts of the 60th Legislature, Regular Session, 1967; and declaring an emergency."

H. B. No. 546, A bill to be entitled "An Act relating to the use of dogs in pursuing or taking of deer in a certain portion of Harrison County; and declaring an emergency."

H. B. No. 128, A bill to be entitled "An Act authorizing the "Panhandle Ground Water Conservation District No. 3 South of the Canadian River in Texas" on approval of the qualified electors in the district to make rules and regulations requiring the spacing of irrigation wells reasonable distances from property lines; and declaring an emergency."

H. B. No. 236, A bill to be entitled "An Act relating to travel and expenses and automobile depreciation allowance for county commissioners in certain counties; and declaring an emergency."

H. B. No. 541, A bill to be entitled "An Act amending Section 1, Article 26.05, Texas Code Criminal Procedure, 1965, so as to provide compensation from county funds for court-appointed counsel in habeas corpus hearings; and declaring an emergency."

H. B. No. 943, A bill to be entitled "An Act including Kaufman County under the provisions of the Uniform Wildlife Regulatory Act; amending Section 1 of the Uniform Wildlife Regulatory Act (Article 978j-1, Vernon's Texas Penal Code); and declaring an emergency."

H. B. No. 535, A bill to be entitled "An Act relating to the rehabilitation of persons convicted of offenses against the State of Texas by providing greater flexibility in the acquisition and retention of skills through the adoption of a work furlough plan and to allow diversified employment of prisoners to reduce cost of keep; providing for the quartering of prisoners extended or granted work furlough privileges; providing for securing employment for eligible prisoners; providing for the administration of the work furlough plan; providing for the disposition and disbursement of wages and salaries received by eligible prisoners with work furlough privileges; providing for "time credits" for eligible prisoners; providing that prisoners with work furlough privileges shall not be deemed agents, employees, or involuntary servants of the department of corrections; relating to the civil rights of prisoners; providing for the preparation and filing of reports; providing for the bonding of certain personnel; and declaring an emergency."

H. B. No. 934, A bill to be entitled "An Act creating and establishing a Conservation and Reclamation District, under and essential to the purposes of Article 16, Section 59 of the Constitution of Texas, to be known as "Fondren Lake Municipal Utility District"; declaring the District a governmental agency and body politic and corporate; defining the boundaries; finding that the boundaries of the district form a closure; finding that all property within the District will be benefited thereby; conferring rights, powers, privileges, authorities and functions upon the District; providing for continuing supervision by the State through the Texas Water Rights Commission; providing for the power to contract and making provision for such contracts; providing that taxes may be levied, collected and pledged to support contracts to purchase water; providing that the Regional Waste Disposal Act shall be applicable; providing that no confirmation election is necessary; providing for a hearing on exclusions; providing that the District shall use the ad valorem plan of taxation; providing for addition or annexation of land; providing for the appointment, election and powers of a board of directors and related matters; provid-

ing for compliance with Article 7880-139, V.T.C.S.; providing for the power to borrow money, issue bonds, invest surplus funds and related matters; providing for the power of eminent domain, the use of public roadways, streets, alleys and public easements and the District bearing the expense of relocation of certain properties and facilities; providing for the appointment of depositories and a system of accounts and an audit thereof; providing for district offices; providing that powers may be exercised within or without the District boundaries in contiguous or noncontiguous areas; providing for minimum price of bonds; providing that no general law, including Article 7880-77b, V.T.C.S., pertaining to dissolution shall be applicable to the District; providing for notice of elections; providing for canvassing elections; providing that the bonds of the District are eligible investments and security; providing that the Municipal Annexation Act is not applicable to the creation of the District but that Article 1182c-1, V.T.C.S., shall be applicable; finding that the requirements of Article 16, Section 59(d) of the Constitution have been accomplished; finding that the District will be carrying out an essential public function and providing that District properties and purchases are tax-free; enacting other provisions related to the aforementioned subject; providing a severability clause; and declaring an emergency."

H. B. No. 650, A bill to be entitled "An Act relating to the compensation of assistant county attorneys in certain counties; and declaring an emergency."

H. B. No. 369, A bill to be entitled "An Act relating to the abolition of the office of county surveyor in certain counties; and declaring an emergency."

H. B. No. 1262, A bill to be entitled "An Act amending Article 2687, Revised Civil Statutes of Texas, 1925, as amended, relating to compensation for the trustees of the county school board in certain counties; and declaring an emergency."

H. B. No. 964, A bill to be entitled "An Act relating to the merger of certain firemen's and policemen's pension funds in certain cities and relating to investment of the reserve

retirement fund; amending Chapter 105, Acts of the 47th Legislature, 1941, as amended (Article 6243f, Vernon's Texas Civil Statutes), by amending Section 17, adding Section 27, and repealing Section 25; and declaring an emergency."

H. B. No. 853, A bill to be entitled "An Act to provide that certain terms of office of members on certain boards, agencies, or commissions expire on January 31 of odd-numbered years; and declaring an emergency."

H. B. No. 1234, A bill to be entitled "An Act relating to the appointment, salaries, and expenses of juvenile officers and their assistants in certain counties; amending Section 1, Chapter 32, Acts of the 51st Legislature, Regular Session, 1949 (Article 5142c-1, Vernon's Texas Civil Statutes); and declaring an emergency."

H. B. No. 62, A bill to be entitled "An Act relating to the creation and operation of the Moore County Juvenile Board; and declaring an emergency."

H. B. No. 484, A bill to be entitled "An Act relating to the levy and collection of a maintenance tax in school districts in certain counties; and declaring an emergency."

H. B. No. 1376, A bill to be entitled "An Act prohibiting the hunting, taking, or killing of axis deer in Bexar County outside deer-proof fencing; providing a penalty; and declaring an emergency."

H. B. No. 41, A bill to be entitled "An Act relating to the compensation to which firemen and policemen in certain cities are entitled; amending Section 1, Chapter 143, Acts of the 50th Legislature, Regular Session, 1947, as amended (Article 1583-2, Vernon's Texas Penal Code); and declaring an emergency."

H. B. No. 1295, A bill to be entitled "An Act placing the regulation of the taking of deer in Harrison County under the provisions of the Uniform Wildlife Regulatory Act; amending Sections 1 and 2, Chapter 493, Acts of the 52nd Legislature, Regular Session, 1951, as amended, to remove Harrison County; and declaring an emergency."

H. B. No. 1261, A bill to be entitled "An Act relating to compensation for assistants to the county superintendent in certain counties; and declaring an emergency."

H. B. No. 957, A bill to be entitled "An Act to make it unlawful for any person to fish or to take fish from any fish farm without the consent of the owner; to provide a penalty for the violation of this Act; and declaring an emergency."

H. B. No. 1309, A bill to be entitled "An Act relating to the exclusion of certain counties from the Texas law governing the sale, use, and transportation of herbicides; amending Subsection (a), Section 17, Chapter 349, Acts of the 53rd Legislature, Regular Session, 1953, as amended (Article 135b-4, Vernon's Texas Civil Statutes); and declaring an emergency."

H. B. No. 423, A bill to be entitled "An Act relating to the adoption of the Interstate Compact on Mental Health; providing for the appointment of a compact administrator; and declaring an emergency."

H. B. No. 1012, A bill to be entitled "An Act authorizing any district or authority created pursuant to Article XVI, Section 59, of the Constitution of Texas, and any corporation formed pursuant to Article 1434a V.A.T.C.S. to contract with any other such district, authority or corporation for the purpose of supplying water to such other district, authority or corporation; providing that any contract may provide that the party purchasing water thereunder shall not obtain water from any other source except to the extent provided in such contract; enacting other provisions relating to the subject; providing a severability clause; and declaring an emergency."

H. B. No. 1277, A bill to be entitled "An Act relating to turkey hunting in Angelina, Cherokee and Nacogdoches Counties; amending Sections 1 and 3, Chapter 392, Acts of the 60th Legislature, Regular Session, 1967; and declaring an emergency."

H. B. No. 1281, A bill to be entitled "An Act amending Section 18 of Acts 1965, 59th Legislature, Chapter 619, as amended, (codified as Article 8280-331, V.T.C.S.) to provide for the sale

of bonds by Briarwick Improvement District at a price not less than that provided by law; determining and finding that the requirements of Article 16, Section 59(d), Constitution of Texas, have been fulfilled and accomplished; providing for a severability clause; and declaring an emergency."

H. B. No. 1282, A bill to be entitled "An Act amending Section 18 of Acts 1965, 59th Legislature, Chapter 622, as amended, (codified as Article 8280-334, V.T.C.S.) to provide for the sale of bonds by Bordersville Improvement District at a price not less than that provided by law; determining and finding that the requirements of Article 16, Section 59(d), Constitution of Texas, have been fulfilled and accomplished; providing for a severability clause; and declaring an emergency."

H. B. No. 1284, A bill to be entitled "An Act amending Section 18 of Acts 1965, 59th Legislature, Chapter 604, as amended (codified as Article 8280-324, V.T.C.S.) to provide for the sale of bonds by Clear Woods Improvement District at a price not less than that provided by law; determining and finding that the requirements of Article 16, Section 59(d), Constitution of Texas, have been fulfilled and accomplished; providing for a severability clause; and declaring an emergency."

H. B. No. 1106, A bill to be entitled "An Act creating and establishing a conservation and reclamation district under Article 16, Section 59, Constitution of Texas, known as "Woodland North Utility District"; declaring District a governmental agency, body politic and corporate; defining the boundaries; finding the field notes and boundaries form a closure, and related matters; finding benefit to all property within the District; finding District is created for public use and benefit; conferring on District the rights, powers, privileges, authority, and functions of the General Laws of Texas applicable to water control and improvement districts created under said Article 16, Section 59, where not in conflict with this Act, and adopting same by reference; providing for continuing supervision by the Texas Water Rights Commission; stating the policy of the State with regard to waste control; prescribing the District's rights, powers, privileges and functions, and related mat-

ters; providing for no election for confirmation; providing for no hearing for exclusions except on written request or the board of directors' own motion; providing for notice of right to have an exclusions hearing; providing for no hearing on plan of taxation and adopting ad valorem plan of taxation; providing for addition of land to District and the assumption of bonded indebtedness by the added land, and related matters; providing for governing body of District; providing for qualifications and bonds of directors; naming first board of directors; providing for the filling of vacancies; providing for terms and election of directors and notice of directors elections, and related matters; providing for the letting of construction contracts and the drawing of warrants; providing for execution of contracts by the president; providing duties of vice-president; providing for compliance with Article 7880-139, V.T.C.S.; providing for bonds and refunding bonds of the District, and related matters; providing for approval of bonds by the Attorney General of Texas and registration by the Comptroller of Public Accounts; providing for the incontestability of bonds; providing the power of eminent domain shall be limited to the county or counties within which District is situated; providing District shall bear expenses of relocating, raising, or rerouting any highway, railroad, or utility lines or pipe lines made necessary by its exercise of the power of eminent domain; defining "sole expense"; providing for depositories; providing for an audit, and related matters; providing for the establishment of District offices, and related matters; providing for powers of District within and without the boundaries of District; providing for a plumbing code; providing for the sale of bonds and the price of such bonds; providing that Article 7880-77b, V.T.C.S., shall not be applicable to this District; providing that notice of all elections shall be under the hand of the president or secretary; providing for the canvassing of election returns; providing that bonds and refunding bonds of this District shall be eligible investments; providing that the Municipal Annexation Act shall have no application to the creation of this District; providing that District is subject to provisions of Article 1182c-1, V.T.C.S.; determining and finding the requirements of Article 16, Section

59(d), Constitution of Texas, as to notice of intention to introduce this Act have been fulfilled and accomplished; providing the District shall not be required to pay any tax or assessment on its properties or any purchase; enacting other provisions relating to the aforementioned subjects; providing a severability clause; and declaring an emergency."

H. B. No. 1313, A bill to be entitled "An Act creating and establishing a conservation and reclamation district under Article 16, Section 59, Constitution of Texas, known as "Cape Royale Utility District"; declaring District a governmental agency, body politic and corporate; defining the boundaries; finding the field notes and boundaries form a closure, and related matters; finding benefit to all property within the District; finding District is created for public use and benefit; conferring on District the rights, powers, privileges, authority, and functions of the general laws of Texas applicable to water control and improvement districts created under said Article 16, Section 59, where not in conflict with this Act, and adopting same by reference; providing for continuing supervision by the Texas Water Rights Commission; stating the policy of the State with regard to waste control; prescribing the District's rights, powers, privileges and functions, and related matters; providing for no election for confirmation; providing for no hearing for exclusions except on written request or the board of directors' own motion; providing for notice of right to have an exclusions hearing; providing for no hearing on plan of taxation and adopting ad valorem plan of taxation; providing for addition of land to District and the assumption of bonded indebtedness by the added land, and related matters; providing for governing body of District; providing for qualifications and bonds of directors; naming first board of directors; providing for the filling of vacancies; providing for terms and election of directors and notice of directors elections, and related matters; providing for the letting of construction contracts and the drawing of warrants; providing for execution of contracts by the president; providing duties of vice-president; providing for compliance with Article 7880-139, V.T.C.S.; providing for bonds and refunding bonds of the District, and related matters; pro-

viding for approval of bonds by the Attorney General of Texas and registration by the Comptroller of Public Accounts; providing for the incontestability of bonds; providing the power of eminent domain shall be limited to the county or counties within which District is situated; providing District shall bear expenses of relocating, raising, or rerouting any highway, railroad, or utility lines or pipe lines made necessary by its exercise of the power of eminent domain; defining "sole expense"; providing for depositories; providing for an audit, and related matters; providing for the establishment of District offices, and related matters; providing for powers of District within and without the boundaries of District; providing for a plumbing code; providing for the sale of bonds and the price of such bonds; providing that Article 7880-77b, V.T.C.S., shall not be applicable to this District; providing that notice of all elections shall be under the hand of the president or secretary; providing for the canvassing of election returns; providing that bonds and refunding bonds of this District shall be eligible investments; providing that the Municipal Annexation Act shall have no application to the creation of this District; providing that District is subject to provisions of Article 1182c-1, V.T.C.S.; determining and finding the requirements of Article 16, Section 59(d), Constitution of Texas, as to notice of intention to introduce this Act have been fulfilled and accomplished; providing the District shall not be required to pay any tax or assessment on its properties or any purchase; enacting other provisions relating to the aforementioned subjects; providing a severability clause; and declaring an emergency."

Respectfully submitted,

DOROTHY HALLMAN,
Chief Clerk, House of Representatives

Report of Standing Committee

Senator Hall submitted the following report:

Austin, Texas,
May 5, 1969.

Hon. Ben Barnes, President of the Senate.

Sir: We, your Committee on County, District and Urban Affairs, to which was referred S. B. No. 793, have had the same under considera-

tion, and we are instructed to report it back to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass and be printed.

HALL, Chairman.
WORD

Senate Bill 800 on First Reading

Senator Jordan moved that Senate Rule 108 and Section 5 of Article III of the State Constitution be suspended to permit her introducing at this time, a bill, the provisions of which she explained.

The motion prevailed by the following vote:

Yeas—28

Aikin	Herring
Bates	Hightower
Bernal	Jordan
Berry	Kennard
Blanchard	Mauzy
Bridges	McKool
Brooks	Moore
Christie	Patman
Cole	Ratliff
Connally	Schwartz
Hall	Snelson
Harrington	Watson
Harris	Wilson
Hazlewood	Word

Absent—Excused

Creighton	Strong
Grover	

The following bill was then introduced, read first time and referred to the Committee indicated:

By Senator Jordan:

S. B. No. 800, A bill to be entitled "An Act providing for a new effective date for S. B. No. 64, Regular Session, 1969, by amending Chapter 18, Section 16, Acts of the 61st Legislature, Regular Session, 1969; and declaring an emergency."

To the Committee on Labor and Management Relations.

Report of Standing Committee

Senator Jordan by unanimous consent submitted the following report:

Austin, Texas,
May 5, 1969.

Hon. Ben Barnes, President of the Senate.

Sir: We, your Committee on Labor and Management Relations, to which

was referred S. B. No. 800, have had the same under consideration, and we are instructed to report it back to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass and be printed.

JORDAN, Chairman.
HARRINGTON
HALL
WORD
RATLIFF

Senate Bill 800 Ordered Not Printed

On motion of Senator Jordan and by unanimous consent S. B. No. 800 was ordered not printed.

Senate Bill 800 on Second Reading

Senator Jordan moved that Senate Rules 13, 30, 110 and 36 and the Constitutional Rule requiring bills to be read on three several days be suspended and that S. B. No. 800 be placed on its second reading and passage to engrossment and on its third reading and final passage.

The motion prevailed by the following vote:

Yeas—28

Aikin	Herring
Bates	Hightower
Bernal	Jordan
Berry	Kennard
Blanchard	Mauzy
Bridges	McKool
Brooks	Moore
Christie	Patman
Cole	Ratliff
Connally	Schwartz
Hall	Snelson
Harrington	Watson
Harris	Wilson
Hazlewood	Word

Absent—Excused

Creighton	Strong
Grover	

The President Pro Tempore then laid before the Senate on its second reading and passage to engrossment the following bill:

S. B. No. 800, A bill to be entitled "An Act providing for a new effective date for S. B. No. 64, Regular Session, 1969, by amending Chapter 18, Section 16, Acts of the 61st Legislature, Regular Session, 1969; and declaring an emergency."

The bill was read the second time and was passed to engrossment.

Senate Bill 800 on Third Reading

The Constitutional Rule requiring bills to be read on three several days having been suspended the President Pro Tempore laid S. B. No. 800 before the Senate on its third reading and final passage.

The bill was read the third time and was passed by the following vote:

Yeas—28

Aikin	Herring
Bates	Hightower
Bernal	Jordan
Berry	Kennard
Blanchard	Mauzy
Bridges	McKool
Brooks	Moore
Christie	Patman
Cole	Ratliff
Connally	Schwartz
Hall	Snelson
Harrington	Watson
Harris	Wilson
Hazlewood	Word

Absent—Excused

Creighton	Strong
Grover	

Senate Bill 801 on First Reading

Senator Harrington moved that Senate Rule 108 and Section 5 of Article III of the State Constitution be suspended to permit his introducing at this time, a bill, the provisions of which he explained.

The motion prevailed by the following vote:

Yeas—28

Aikin	Herring
Bates	Hightower
Bernal	Jordan
Berry	Kennard
Blanchard	Mauzy
Bridges	McKool
Brooks	Moore
Christie	Patman
Cole	Ratliff
Connally	Schwartz
Hall	Snelson
Harrington	Watson
Harris	Wilson
Hazlewood	Word

Absent—Excused

Creighton	Strong
Grover	

The following bill was then introduced, read first time and referred to the Committee indicated:

By Senator Harrington:

S. B. No. 801, A bill to be entitled "An Act relating to the pay of jurors, amending Article 35.24, Code of Criminal Procedure, 1965, Sections (a) and (c), Article 1056, Code of Criminal Procedure, 1925, and Section (a), Article 2122, Revised Civil Statutes of Texas, 1925; and declaring an emergency."

To the Committee on Jurisprudence.

Reports of Standing Committee

Senator Christie by unanimous consent submitted the following reports:

Austin, Texas,
May 5, 1969.

Hon. Ben Barnes, President of the Senate.

Sir: We, your Committee on Water and Conservation to which was referred H. B. No. 1301, have had the same under consideration, and we are instructed to report it back to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass and be not printed.

CHRISTIE, Vice-Chairman.

Austin, Texas,
May 5, 1969.

Hon. Ben Barnes, President of the Senate.

Sir: We, your Committee on Water and Conservation to which was referred H. B. No. 1110, have had the same under consideration, and we are instructed to report it back to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass and be not printed.

CHRISTIE, Vice-Chairman.

Austin, Texas,
May 5, 1969.

Hon. Ben Barnes, President of the Senate.

Sir: We, your Committee on Water and Conservation to which was referred H. B. No. 1109, have had the same under consideration, and we are instructed to report it back to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass and be not printed.

CHRISTIE, Vice-Chairman.

Austin, Texas,
May 5, 1969.

Hon. Ben Barnes, President of the Senate.

Sir: We, your Committee on Water and Conservation to which was referred H. B. No. 1108, have had the same under consideration, and we are instructed to report it back to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass and be not printed.

CHRISTIE, Vice-Chairman.

Austin, Texas,
May 5, 1969.

Hon. Ben Barnes, President of the Senate.

Sir: We, your Committee on Water and Conservation to which was referred H. B. No. 1107, have had the same under consideration, and we are instructed to report it back to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass and be not printed.

CHRISTIE, Vice-Chairman.

Austin, Texas,
May 5, 1969.

Hon. Ben Barnes, President of the Senate.

Sir: We, your Committee on Water and Conservation to which was referred H. B. No. 1101, have had the same under consideration, and we are instructed to report it back to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass and be not printed.

CHRISTIE, Vice-Chairman.

Senate Bill 793 Ordered Not Printed

On motion of Senator Snelson and by unanimous consent S. B. No. 793 was ordered not printed.

Bills Signed

The President Pro Tempore announced the signing by the President in the presence of the Senate after the caption had been read, the following enrolled bills:

S. B. No. 237, A bill to be entitled "An Act providing for the appointment by the District Judge of the Thirty-first Judicial District of Texas, composed of the Counties of Gray, Wheeler, Hemphill, Lipscomb and Roberts, of an official shorthand reporter for such judicial district; etc.; and declaring an emergency."

S. B. No. 284, A bill to be entitled "An Act adding certain diseases

among livestock that must be reported to the Livestock Sanitary Commission of Texas; etc.; and declaring an emergency."

S. B. No. 526, A bill to be entitled "An Act authorizing the International Commerce Development Corporation to establish, operate and maintain a foreign trade zone at Fort Worth, Tarrant County, Texas, and other subzones; etc.; and declaring an emergency."

S. B. No. 535, A bill to be entitled "An Act amending Section 1 of Article II, Acts 1965, 59th Legislature, Chapter 101, to provide for the issuance of negotiable Texas College Student Loan Bonds in the total aggregate amount not exceeding Two Hundred Eighty-five Million Dollars (\$285,000,000); etc.; and declaring an emergency."

S. B. No. 543, A bill to be entitled "An Act amending Statutes relating to Workmen's Compensation Insurance for certain employees of the institutions and agencies under the direction or government of the Board of Directors of the Agricultural and Mechanical College of Texas, etc., and declaring an emergency."

Reports of Standing Committees

Senator Wilson, by unanimous consent, submitted the following reports:

Austin, Texas,
May 1, 1969.

Hon. Ben Barnes, President of the Senate.

Sir: We, your Committee on Banking to which was referred H. B. No. 739, have had the same under consideration, and I am instructed to report it back to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass and be printed.

WILSON, Chairman.

Austin, Texas,
May 1, 1969.

Hon. Ben Barnes, President of the Senate.

Sir: We, your Committee on Banking, to which was referred S. B. No. 539, have had the same under consideration, and I am instructed to report it back to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass as amended and be printed.

WILSON, Chairman.

Austin, Texas,
May 1, 1969.

Hon. Ben Barnes, President of the Senate.

Sir: We, your Committee on Banking to which was referred S. B. No. 221, have had the same under consideration, and I am instructed to report it back to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass and be printed.

WILSON, Chairman.

Austin, Texas,
May 1, 1969.

Hon. Ben Barnes, President of the Senate.

Sir: We, your Committee on Banking to which was referred S. B. No. 336, have had the same under consideration, and I am instructed to report it back to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass and be printed.

WILSON, Chairman.

Austin, Texas,
May 1, 1969.

Hon. Ben Barnes, President of the Senate.

Sir: We, your Committee on Banking to which was referred S. B. No. 703, have had the same under consideration, and I am instructed to report it back to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass and be printed.

WILSON, Chairman.

Senator Connally, by unanimous consent, submitted the following report:

Austin, Texas,
May 5, 1969.

Hon. Ben Barnes, President of the Senate.

Sir: We, your Committee on Parks and Wildlife to which was referred H. B. No. 1163, have had the same under consideration, and we are instructed to report it back to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass and be printed.

CONNALLY, Chairman.
BLANCHARD

House Concurrent Resolution 110 on Second Reading

On motion of Senator Snelson, and by unanimous consent, the regular order of business was suspended to take up for consideration at this time the following resolution:

H. C. R. No. 110, Extending congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. John Bradley McKinney on their recent marriage.

The resolution was read.

On motion of Senator Snelson, and by unanimous consent, the resolution was considered immediately and was adopted.

Message From the Governor

The following message received from the Governor was read and was filed with the Secretary of the Senate:

Austin, Texas,
May 5, 1969.

To the Members of the 61st Legislature, Regular Session:

Under the provisions of Article 3, Section 5, of the Texas Constitution, I recommend to you as an emergency matter the passage of a tort claims act limited to personal injuries and death resulting from the negligent operation of motor vehicles, with limits of liability not to exceed \$100,000 per person and \$300,000 per occurrence against all governmental units.

Respectfully submitted,
PRESTON SMITH,
Governor of Texas.

Senate Bill 802 on First Reading

Pursuant to the provisions of the above message from the Governor, the following bill was introduced, read first time and referred to the Committee indicated:

By Senators Creighton and Herring:

S. B. No. 802, A bill to be entitled "An Act to be known and cited as the Texas Tort Claims Act; defining certain terms; making all units of government in Texas liable for tort claims for personal injury or death arising from the operation or use of a motor vehicle and setting certain limits; abolishing certain immunities of the sovereign to suit, and granting permission for such suit; providing for venue in such suits; making this Act cumulative of other legal remedies; applying the laws and statutes of the State of Texas and the Rules of Civil Procedure to actions hereunder; providing for the service of citation; providing for the defense of such suits, permitting the purchase of insurance

and declaring the existence thereof inadmissible and not subject to discovery; permitting settlement of claims hereunder and establishing procedure therefor; providing that settlements and judgments hereunder constitute a bar to further action and that a unit of government covered by insurance may not require the employee to be covered; providing for liberal construction hereof; determining certain exceptions to this Act; providing for continued individual immunity; requiring claimants to give notice of their claim except where there is actual notice; providing for payment of claims against state-supported senior colleges and universities by direct appropriation, except where insurance has been acquired; providing that the Act shall not apply to proprietary functions of municipalities; preserving the privileges and immunities of the Workmen's Compensation Act to those units of government providing workmen's compensation coverage; repealing all laws or parts of laws in conflict herewith; providing that if any part hereof is unconstitutional or void, the same shall not affect the remaining portions hereof; and providing for an effective date hereof; and declaring an emergency."

To the Committee on County, District and Urban Affairs.

Motion in Writing

Senator Hall submitted the following Motion in Writing:

Hon. Ben Barnes, President of the Senate.

Dear Mr. President: Notice is hereby given of the intent to hold a Local and Uncontested Calendar at 9:00 a.m. Thursday, May 8, 1969.

RALPH M. HALL, Chairman
Local and Uncontested Calendar

The Motion in Writing was read and was adopted.

Senate Bill 33 Laid on Table

On motion of Senator Moore, and by unanimous consent S. B. No. 33 was Laid on Table.

Senate Bill 634 Set as Special Order

On motion of Senator Hazlewood, and by unanimous consent, S. B. No. 634 was set as Special Order for Friday, May 9, 1969, following the Morning Call.

**Vote on Final Passage of
Senate Bill 724 Reconsidered**

On motion of Senator McKool, and by unanimous consent, the vote by which S. B. No. 724 was finally passed was reconsidered.

Question—Shall S. B. No. 724 be finally passed?

The bill was again finally passed by the following vote:

Yeas—28

Aikin	Herring
Bates	Hightower
Bernal	Jordan
Berry	Kennard
Blanchard	Mauzy
Bridges	McKool
Brooks	Moore
Christie	Patman
Cole	Ratliff
Connally	Schwartz
Hall	Snelson
Harrington	Watson
Harris	Wilson
Hazlewood	Word

Absent—Excused

Creighton	Strong
Grover	

Senate Bill 184 on Third Reading

On motion of Senator Blanchard, and by unanimous consent, the regular order of business was suspended to take up for consideration at this time on its third reading and final passage:

S. B. No. 184, A bill to be entitled "An Act amending Article 4551d, Revised Civil Statutes of Texas, 1925, as amended, relating to the authority of the State Board of Dental Examiners; etc.; and declaring an emergency."

The bill was read third time and was passed by the following vote:

Yeas—28

Aikin	Hall
Bates	Harrington
Bernal	Harris
Berry	Hazlewood
Blanchard	Herring
Bridges	Hightower
Brooks	Jordan
Christie	Kennard
Cole	Mauzy
Connally	McKool

Moore	Snelson
Patman	Watson
Ratliff	Wilson
Schwartz	Word

Absent—Excused

Creighton	Strong
Grover	

Senate Bill 675 on Third Reading

On motion of Senator Hall, and by unanimous consent, the regular order of business was suspended to take up for consideration at this time on third reading and final passage S. B. No. 675 (the bill having been read third time on Friday, May 2, 1969).

Question—Shall S. B. No. 675 be finally passed?

Senator Hall offered the following amendment to the bill:

Amend S. B. No. 675 by striking the quotation marks at the end of Section 1 and adding to Section 1 the following:

"Notwithstanding any provisions of this Act to the contrary, no refunding bonds shall be issued hereunder unless the obligations to be refunded are scheduled to mature or are subject to redemption prior to maturity within not more than five years from the date of the refunding bonds; and no refunding bonds shall be issued hereunder to refund electric and gas system revenue bonds issued by any city having a population in excess of 500,000, according to the most recent federal census."

The amendment was read and was adopted by the following vote:

Yeas—25

Aikin	Hazlewood
Bates	Hightower
Bernal	Jordan
Berry	Kennard
Blanchard	Mauzy
Bridges	McKool
Brooks	Patman
Christie	Schwartz
Cole	Snelson
Connally	Watson
Hall	Wilson
Harrington	Word
Harris	

Nays—3

Herring	Ratliff
Moore	

Absent—Excused

Creighton Strong
Grover

The bill as amended was finally passed by the following vote:

Yeas—24

Aikin	Hazlewood
Bates	Hightower
Bernal	Jordan
Berry	Kennard
Bridges	Mauzy
Brooks	McKool
Christie	Patman
Cole	Schwartz
Connally	Snelson
Hall	Watson
Harrington	Wilson
Harris	Word

Nays—4

Blanchard Moore
Herring Ratliff

Absent—Excused

Creighton Strong
Grover

House Bill 1301 Ordered Not Printed

On motion of Senator Jordan and by unanimous consent H. B. No. 1301 was ordered not printed.

House Bill 1110 Ordered Not Printed

On motion of Senator Jordan and by unanimous consent H. B. No. 1110 was ordered not printed.

House Bill 1109 Ordered Not Printed

On motion of Senator Jordan and by unanimous consent H. B. No. 1109 was ordered not printed.

House Bill 1108 Ordered Not Printed

On motion of Senator Jordan and by unanimous consent H. B. No. 1108 was ordered not printed.

House Bill 1107 Ordered Not Printed

On motion of Senator Jordan and by unanimous consent H. B. No. 1107 was ordered not printed.

House Bill 1101 Ordered Not Printed

On motion of Senator Jordan and by unanimous consent H. B. No. 1101 was ordered not printed.

House Bill 1163 Ordered Not Printed

On motion of Senator Patman and by unanimous consent H. B. No. 1163 was ordered not printed.

Conference Committee Report on House Bill 660

Austin, Texas,
May 4, 1969.

Hon. Ben Barnes, President of the Senate.

Hon. G. F. (Gus) Mutscher, Speaker of the House of Representatives.

Sirs: We, your Conference Committee appointed to adjust the differences between the House and Senate on House Bill No. 660, have met and adjusted our differences and beg leave to recommend that it be passed in the form attached hereto.

Respectfully submitted,

HEATLY
SLIDER
SLACK
LONGORIA
BRAECKLEIN

On the part of the House.

HIGHTOWER
BLANCHARD
WORD
CONNALLY
AIKIN

On the part of the Senate.

The Conference Committee Report was read and was adopted by the following vote:

Yeas—28

Aikin	Herring
Bates	Hightower
Bernal	Jordan
Berry	Kennard
Blanchard	Mauzy
Bridges	McKool
Brooks	Moore
Christie	Patman
Cole	Ratliff
Connally	Schwartz
Hall	Snelson
Harrington	Watson
Harris	Wilson
Hazlewood	Word

Absent—Excused

Creighton Strong
Grover

Senate Resolution 701

Senator Snelson offered the following resolution:

Whereas, Miss Rene Pederson of San Angelo, Texas, won first prize in the general news writing contest sponsored by the William Randolph Hearst Foundation Collegiate Journalism Writing Contest in November, 1968, and therefore became eligible for the first prize offered by the Foundation; and

Whereas, Miss Pederson is a senior journalism major at The University of Texas at Austin and a writer for the student newspaper, The Daily Texan; and

Whereas, Miss Pederson works in the Capitol Building of the State of Texas as a part-time reporter for the San Antonio Express-News; and

Whereas, On April 29, 1969, the name of Rene Pederson was announced as the first prize winner at the ninth annual National William Randolph Hearst Foundation Journalism Awards Program, the first woman ever to receive the award which consists of a \$1,500 scholarship and a bronze medallion of recognition, and winning the prize from among 12,000 eligible journalism students; now, therefore, be it

Resolved, By the Senate of Texas, That on this date we convey to Miss Pederson and to her parents, Mr. and Mrs. R. J. Pederson of San Angelo, Texas, our sincerest thanks and appreciation, as well as our heartiest congratulations, for her manifold contributions to our state and, be it further

Resolved, That a copy of this Resolution be presented to her and to her parents as a token of the sentiments expressed herein.

SNELSON
BERNAL

The resolution was read and was adopted.

Committee Substitute Senate Joint Resolution 15 on Second Reading

On motion of Senator Christie, and by unanimous consent, the regular order of business was suspended to take up for consideration at this time on its second reading and passage to engrossment:

C. S. S. J. R. No. 15, A Joint Resolution proposing an amendment to Section 1-d, Article VIII, Constitution of the State of Texas, to provide for the establishment of a uniform method of assessment of ranch, farm, and forest lands.

The resolution was read second time.

Senator Christie offered the following amendment to the resolution:

Amend C. S. S. J. R. No. 15 by striking the figure "1969" as it appears on line 29 of p. 1 of the resolution and substituting in lieu thereof the figure "1970."

The amendment was read and was adopted.

The resolution as amended was passed to engrossment.

Committee Substitute Senate Joint Resolution 15 on Third Reading

Senator Christie moved that the Constitutional Rule and Senate Rule 30 requiring resolutions to be read on three several days be suspended and that C. S. S. J. R. No. 15 be placed on its third reading and final passage.

The motion prevailed by the following vote:

Yeas—28

Aikin	Herring
Bates	Hightower
Bernal	Jordan
Berry	Kennard
Blanchard	Mauzy
Bridges	McKool
Brooks	Moore
Christie	Patman
Cole	Ratliff
Connally	Schwartz
Hall	Snelson
Harrington	Watson
Harris	Wilson
Hazlewood	Word

Absent—Excused

Creighton	Strong
Grover	

The President Pro Tempore then laid the resolution before the Senate on its third reading and final passage.

The resolution was read third time and was passed by the following vote:

Yeas—28

Aikin	Hall
Bates	Harrington
Bernal	Harris
Berry	Hazlewood
Blanchard	Herring
Bridges	Hightower
Brooks	Jordan
Christie	Kennard
Cole	Mauzy
Connally	McKool

Moore	Snelson
Patman	Watson
Ratliff	Wilson
Schwartz	Word

Absent—Excused

Creighton	Strong
Grover	

Bills Signed

The President Pro Tempore announced the signing by the President in the presence of the Senate after the caption had been read, the following enrolled bills:

H. B. No. 179, A bill to be entitled "An Act relating to dissolution of certain inactive districts created under Article XVI, Section 59, or Article III, Section 52, Constitution of the State of Texas; and declaring an emergency."

H. B. No. 433, A bill to be entitled "An Act amending Article 883, Revised Civil Statutes of Texas, 1925, as amended, relating to the liability of railroads and other carriers; etc., and declaring an emergency."

H. B. No. 504, A bill to be entitled "An Act relating to the authority of the San Patricio County Navigation District No. 1 to acquire, maintain, and operate or contract for the operation of public airports; relating to the acquisition of federal and state grant-in-aid funds; providing for the disbursement of funds acquired; and declaring an emergency."

H. B. No. 756, A bill to be entitled "An Act providing for the creation of a conservation and reclamation district under the provisions of Section 59 of Article XVI, Constitution of Texas, to provide drainage for all of San Patricio County and to be known as 'San Patricio County Drainage District of San Patricio County, Texas,' etc.; and declaring an emergency."

H. B. No. 766, A bill to be entitled "An Act creating and establishing a conservation and reclamation district under Article 16, Section 59, Constitution of Texas, known as 'Tehuacana Utility District'; etc.; and declaring an emergency."

H. B. No. 910, A bill to be entitled "An Act relating to the authorization of certain conservation and reclama-

tion districts in San Patricio County to annex certain additional territory, provide for flood control and other district purposes, and contract with the United States for the construction of certain improvements; and declaring an emergency."

H. B. No. 1152, A bill to be entitled "An Act amending Subsection (b) Section 2, Chapter 643, Acts of the 60th Legislature, Regular Session, 1967 (Article 8280-387, Vernon's Texas Civil Statutes), relating to the boundaries of the Elm Creek Water Control District; amending Subsection (d) Section 15 of the same Act, relating to the bonds furnished by the members of the board of directors of the district; and declaring an emergency."

H. B. No. 145, A bill to be entitled "An Act providing for the creation of North Runnels County Hospital District with boundaries coextensive with the boundaries of Commissioners Precincts 2 and 3 of Runnels County, etc., and declaring an emergency."

H. B. No. 1258, A bill to be entitled "An Act creating and establishing a Conservation and Reclamation District under and essential to the purposes of Article 16, Section 59, of the Constitution of Texas, to be known as 'Harris County Utility District No. 4'; etc., and declaring an emergency."

S. B. No. 159, A bill to be entitled "An Act relating to inscriptions to be printed on State-owned motor vehicles; amending Article 821, Vernon's Annotated Penal Code of the State of Texas; and declaring an emergency."

S. B. No. 260, A bill to be entitled "An Act relating to certain exceptions to the prohibition of closed meetings by governmental bodies and notice of meetings; etc.; and declaring an emergency."

S. B. No. 317, A bill to be entitled "An Act relating to the organization and regulation of credit unions; repealing certain laws; and declaring an emergency."

Committee Substitute Senate Joint Resolution 29 on Second Reading

Senator Bernal asked unanimous consent to suspend the regular order

of business and take up C. S. S. J. R. No. 29 for consideration at this time.

There was objection.

Senator Bernal then moved to suspend the regular order of business and take up C. S. S. J. R. No. 29 for consideration at this time.

The motion prevailed by the following vote:

Yeas—17

Bates	Jordan
Bernal	Kennard
Bridges	McKool
Brooks	Patman
Christie	Schwartz
Cole	Snelson
Hall	Watson
Harrington	Wilson
Hightower	

Nays—8

Aikin	Herring
Blanchard	Moore
Connally	Ratliff
Hazlewood	Word

Absent

Berry	Mauzy
Harris	

Absent—Excused

Creighton	Strong
Grover	

The President Pro Tempore laid before the Senate on its second reading and passage to engrossment:

C. S. S. J. R. 29 Proposing a constitutional amendment to provide that the Legislature may authorize political subdivisions to adopt rules of tenure and security of employment for their employees.

The resolution was read second time and was passed to engrossment.

Record of Votes

Senators Herring, Word, Aikin, Ratliff and Hazlewood asked to be recorded as voting "Nay" on the passage of the resolution to engrossment.

Senate Bill 437 on Second Reading

On motion of Senator Word, and by unanimous consent, the regular order of business was suspended to take up for consideration at this time on its second reading and passage to engrossment:

S. B. No. 437, A bill to be entitled "An Act amending Article 14.22, Title 122A, Taxation — General, Revised Civil Statutes of Texas, 1925, as amended by Acts, 1965, 59th Legislature, page 830, Chapter 402, Section 7, relating to the delivery of certain papers of a decedent; repealing all laws in conflict herewith to the extent of such conflict only; and declaring an emergency."

The bill was read second time and passed to engrossment.

Senate Bill 437 on Third Reading

Senator Word moved that the Constitutional Rule and Senate Rule 30 requiring bills to be read on three several days be suspended and that S. B. No. 437 be placed on its third reading and final passage.

The motion prevailed by the following vote:

Yeas—28

Aikin	Herring
Bates	Hightower
Bernal	Jordan
Berry	Kennard
Blanchard	Mauzy
Bridges	McKool
Brooks	Moore
Christie	Patman
Cole	Ratliff
Connally	Schwartz
Hall	Snelson
Harrington	Watson
Harris	Wilson
Hazlewood	Word

Absent—Excused

Creighton	Strong
Grover	

The President Pro Tempore then laid the bill before the Senate on its third reading and final passage.

The bill was read third time and was passed.

House Bills on First Reading

The following bills received from the House, were read the first time and referred to the Committees indicated:

H. B. No. 41, To Committee on County, District and Urban Affairs.

H. B. No. 964, To Committee on County, District and Urban Affairs.

Reports of Standing Committees

Senator Christie, by unanimous consent, submitted the following report:

Austin, Texas,
May 5, 1969.

Hon. Ben Barnes, President of the Senate.

Sir: We, your Committee on Water and Conservation, to which was referred H. B. No. 1264, have had the same under consideration, and we are instructed to report it back to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass and be printed.

CHRISTIE, Vice-Chairman.

Senator Wilson, by unanimous consent, submitted the following reports:

Austin, Texas,
May 1, 1969.

Hon. Ben Barnes, President of the Senate.

Sir: We, your Committee on Banking, to which was referred H. B. No. 685, have had the same under consideration, and I am instructed to report it back to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass as amended and be printed.

WILSON, Chairman.

Austin, Texas
May 1, 1969.

Hon. Ben Barnes, President of the Senate.

Sir: We, your Committee on Banking, to which was referred H. B. No. 397, have had the same under consideration, and we are instructed to report it back to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass and be printed.

WILSON, Chairman
WATSON
HARRIS
MOORE
SCHWARTZ
GROVER
BROOKS
BERRY
CONNALLY
McKOOL

Austin, Texas
May 1, 1969.

Hon. Ben Barnes, President of the Senate.

Sir: We, your Committee on Banking, to which was referred H. B. No. 684, have had the same under consideration, and I am instructed to re-

port it back to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass and be printed.

WILSON, Chairman.

Austin, Texas
May 1, 1969.

Hon. Ben Barnes, President of the Senate.

Sir: We, your Committee on Banking, to which was referred H. B. No. 345, have had the same under consideration, and I am instructed to report it back to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass and be printed.

WILSON, Chairman.

Senator Hall, by unanimous consent, submitted the following report:

Austin, Texas
May 5, 1969.

Hon. Ben Barnes, President of the Senate.

Sir: We, your Committee on County, District and Urban Affairs, to which was referred H. B. No. 41, have had the same under consideration, and we are instructed to report it back to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass and be printed.

HALL, Chairman
WORD
CONNALLY

House Bill 1264 Ordered Not Printed

On motion of Senator Brooks, and by unanimous consent, H. B. No. 1264 was ordered not printed.

Message From the House

Hall of the House of Representatives

Austin, Texas,
May 5, 1969.

Hon. Ben Barnes, President of the Senate.

Sir: I am directed by the House to inform the Senate that the House has passed the following:

S. B. No. 800, A bill to be entitled "An Act providing for a new effective date for S. B. No. 64, Regular Session, 1969, by amending Chapter 18, Section 16, Acts of the 61st Legislature, Regular Session, 1969; and declaring an emergency."

H. B. No. 212, A bill to be entitled "An Act relating to the transfer of

persons under commitment to State schools for the retarded of the Texas Department of Mental Health and Mental Retardation to mental hospitals of the Texas Department of Mental Health and Mental Retardation; amending Chapter 119, Acts of the 54th Legislature, Regular Session, 1955, as amended, (codified as Article 3871b, Vernon's Texas Civil Statutes); providing for the repeal of conflicting statutes; and declaring an emergency."

H. B. No. 213, A bill to be entitled "An Act relating to the transfer of persons under commitment to mental hospitals of the Texas Department of Mental Health and Mental Retardation to schools for the mentally retarded of the Texas Department of Mental Health and Mental Retardation; amending Chapter IV of Chapter 243, Acts of the 55th Legislature, Regular Session, 1957, as amended, (codified as Articles 5547-68 through 5547-87, Vernon's Texas Civil Statutes); providing for the repeal of conflicting statutes; and declaring an emergency."

H. B. No. 233, A bill to be entitled "An Act relating to the creation, establishment, maintenance and operation of a hospital district in accordance with the provisions of Section 9 of Article IX of the Constitution of the State of Texas, to be known as the East Wise County Hospital District, prescribing the boundaries thereof; defining its purposes; providing for its administration, operation, financing, taxing powers, and liabilities; prescribing procedures; providing for severability; reciting proof of publication of constitutional notice; and declaring an emergency."

H. B. No. 367, A bill to be entitled "An Act to amend Article XIV of Chapter 421, Acts of the Regular Session of the 50th Legislature (the Uniform Act Regulating Traffic on Highways), as heretofore amended, by adding a new section, prohibiting the operation of slow-moving vehicles, as herein defined, on public streets and highways unless equipped with and displaying a 'slow-moving vehicle emblem' as herein defined; providing certain exceptions; authorizing and directing the Director of the Department of Public Safety to adopt standards and specifications for the slow-

moving vehicle emblem herein provided for; forbidding use of such emblem except on slow-moving vehicles; and declaring an emergency."

H. B. No. 387, A bill to be entitled "An Act relating to the exclusion of certain counties from the area exempted from the Texas laws governing the sale, use, and transportation of herbicides; amending Subsection (a), Section 17, Chapter 349, Acts of the 53rd Legislature, Regular Session, 1953, as amended (Article 135b-4, Vernon's Texas Civil Statutes); and declaring an emergency."

H. B. No. 414, A bill to be entitled "An Act relating to the power of the Parks and Wildlife Commission to acquire interest in real property; amending Section 2, Chapter 684, Acts of the 60th Legislature, 1967 (Article 978f-3d, Vernon's Texas Penal Code); and declaring an emergency."

H. B. No. 487, A bill to be entitled "An Act relating to hunting quail in Hopkins County; amending Chapter 373, Acts of the 47th Legislature, Regular Session, 1941, as amended, and declaring an emergency."

H. B. No. 528, A bill to be entitled "An Act relating to separate facilities for different races in mines; amending Article 5920, Revised Civil Statutes of Texas, 1925, and Article 1612, Penal Code of Texas, 1925; and declaring an emergency."

H. B. No. 547, A bill to be entitled "An Act validating Fort Bend County Water Control and Improvement District No. 2 and declaring it to be a validly existing and operating conservation and reclamation district under Section 59, Article XVI, Texas Constitution; validating the addition or annexation of lands to the District and the boundaries thereof; validating all governmental acts and proceedings; finding and determining that the lands and other property within said District are, and will be, benefited by the District; providing that this Act shall not validate any act or proceeding which is the subject of litigation; containing other provisions relating to the subject; providing a severability clause; and declaring an emergency."

H. B. No. 564, A bill to be entitled "An Act prohibiting the operation of

certain modified motor vehicles; providing a penalty; and declaring an emergency."

H. B. No. 705, A bill to be entitled "An Act to authorize the establishment of special day schools for deaf scholastics between the scholastic age of six and twenty-one years, inclusive, in any two contiguous counties whose cumulative population exceeds 250,000 but does not exceed 335,000 according to the last preceding Federal Census; amending Acts 1961, 57th Legislature, Regular Session, Page 821, Chapter 372, by rewriting Sections 1 and 1a thereof; repealing all laws or parts of laws in conflict herewith; and declaring an emergency."

H. B. No. 736, A bill to be entitled "An Act relating to the protection of nongame birds; providing for certain exceptions; prescribing a penalty; amending Article 874, Penal Code of Texas, 1925; repealing Article 875, Penal Code of Texas, 1925; and declaring an emergency."

H. B. No. 749, A bill to be entitled "An Act relating to reports of accidents by officers or agencies to the Department of Public Safety; making the reports public records and providing for obtaining copies; amending Section 40, Chapter 173, Acts of the 47th Legislature, Regular Session, 1941 (Article 6687b, Vernon's Texas Civil Statutes); and declaring an emergency."

H. B. No. 753, A bill to be entitled "An Act relating to recovery of attorneys' fees in a suit to recover on a payment bond executed by a public prime contractor; amending Section B, Article 5160, Revised Civil Statutes of Texas, 1925, as amended; and declaring an emergency."

H. B. No. 805, A bill to be entitled "An Act amending Section 1 of House Bill No. 633, Chapter 163, Acts of the Regular Session of the Fifty-fourth Legislature of Texas, 1955 (Article 924a, Vernon's Texas Penal Code), as amended by House Bill 320, Chapter 686, Acts of the Regular Session of the 60th Legislature of Texas, 1967, deleting the voltage restriction on electro-trawls used by Commercial Gulf Shrimp Boats in certain waters of the Gulf of Mexico; providing a

repealing clause; providing a saving clause; and declaring an emergency."

H. B. No. 832, A bill to be entitled "An Act relating to the supplemental compensation of district judges in certain counties; amending Section 1, Chapter 165, Acts of the 58th Legislature, 1963 (Article 6819a-19c, Vernon's Texas Civil Statutes); and declaring an emergency."

H. B. No. 840, A bill to be entitled "An Act relating to seizure and sale of unlawfully possessed marine life; amending the Penal Code of Texas, 1925, by adding a new Article 897a; and declaring an emergency."

H. B. No. 933, A bill to be entitled "An Act validating all proceedings and actions taken in the creation of the Ridgemont Municipal Utility District and the purposes for which it was created; validating the appointment or election of directors; validating all proceedings and actions taken by the Board of Directors of the District, howsoever constituted; validating all hearings, elections and exclusions; validating the boundaries of the District; finding that the boundaries of the District form a closure; finding that all property within the District will be benefited thereby; conferring rights, powers, privileges, authorities and functions upon the district; providing for the power to contract and making provision for such contracts; providing that taxes may be levied, collected and pledged to support contracts to purchase water; providing that the Regional Waste Disposal Act shall be applicable; providing that the District shall have the power to levy, collect and pledge taxes for the payment of all obligations incurred under contracts to purchase water; providing for continuing supervision by the State through the Texas Water Rights Commission; providing that powers may be exercised within or without the District boundaries in contiguous or noncontiguous areas; providing that the bonds of the District are eligible investments and security; providing that this Act shall not validate any act or proceeding which is the subject of litigation; finding that the requirements of Article 16, Section 59(d) of the Constitution have been accomplished; providing a severability clause; enacting other provisions relating to the subject; and declaring an emergency."

H. B. No. 965, A bill to be entitled "An Act amending the Texas Savings and Loan Act (Article 852a, Vernon's Texas Civil Statutes), by adding Section 2.01a permitting a new association to submit and prove the qualifications of its proposed managing officer before, during, or after other determinations are made by the savings and loan commissioner; and declaring an emergency."

H. B. No. 1114, A bill to be entitled "An Act creating a conservation and reclamation District under the provisions of Section 59, Article XVI, Constitution of Texas, to be known as Tattor Road Municipal District in Harris County, Texas; defining its boundaries and finding their closure; finding benefits to the land and other property in the District; prescribing its rights, powers, privileges and duties; providing that no confirmation election shall be required; providing for the governing body; authorizing the levy and assessment of taxes and adopting the ad valorem basis of taxation; authorizing the issuance and refunding of bonds and prescribing their terms and security; authorizing the investment of bond proceeds; prescribing the procedure for annexing land; providing that no exclusion hearing shall be required except under certain circumstances; requiring supervision by the Texas Water Rights Commission; requiring the District to establish an office; providing for the selection of a depository; requiring audits and a system of accounts; containing provisions that its bonds are legal investments and eligible to secure public deposits; providing that except for its creation the District shall be subject to the provisions of Art. 970a and subject to the provisions of Article 1182 C-1, Vernon's Texas Civil Statutes; providing that the District shall bear the sole expense of the relocation of certain facilities; containing other provisions relating to the subject; providing that the District's properties shall not be subject to taxation; providing a severability clause; finding of notice of intention to introduce this Act; and declaring an emergency."

H. B. No. 1310, A bill to be entitled "An Act relating to the creation, administration, powers, duties, and financing of Karnes County Hospital District of Karnes County, Texas, by

authority of Section 9, Article IX, Constitution of the State of Texas; and declaring an emergency."

H. B. No. 1260, A bill to be entitled "An Act re-establishing and re-creating Brazoria County Drainage District Number Three, of Brazoria County, Texas, as 'Brazoria County Conservation and Reclamation District Number Three,' subject to the provisions of this Act; providing that such District is a conservation and reclamation district under the provisions of Article XVI, Section 59 of the Constitution of Texas; providing that the boundaries of the District shall be the same as those of Brazoria County Drainage District Number Three; determining and finding benefits to the land and other property within the District; finding that the boundaries of the District form a closure; providing its purposes of existence; conferring rights, powers, privileges, authorities and functions upon the District; providing for the use of public roadways, streets, alleys and public easements; providing that the District shall bear the sole expense of the relocation of certain facilities and properties in the exercise of the power of eminent domain; providing that the District may acquire by purchase, gift, or condemnation, lands and easements located within or outside the District to accomplish the lawful purposes of the District; providing for its governing body, the terms of office, the election of the members of the governing body, their compensation, and related matters; providing that the District shall take over certain properties, liabilities, assets and taxes; providing for the power to contract with and to receive grants or loans from the United States of America, the State of Texas, and others, and making provisions for such contracts, grants or loans; providing that no existing contracts of Brazoria County Drainage District Number Three shall be impaired; providing for the power to borrow money and to issue bonds; providing for the appointment of a depository; providing for a system of accounts and an audit thereof; providing that the bonds of the District are eligible investments and security; providing that this Act prevail over any inconsistent General Law; finding that the District will serve a public use and benefit; finding that the requirements of Article XVI, Section

59 of the Constitution, have been accomplished; providing that the enactment of this Act is essential and necessary to the preservation and conservation of natural resources; providing means of annexing land to the District; providing for the levy, assessment and collection of ad valorem taxes by the District; containing other provisions relating to the subject; providing a severability clause; and declaring an emergency."

H. B. No. 1273, A bill to be entitled "An Act validating all governmental acts of the Board of Directors of the Blue Ridge Municipal Utility District or relating to the District; specifically validating the appointment or election of Directors of the District, all elections and hearings, all bonds of the District, the deletion and addition of lands to the District, and the boundaries thereof; finding that the boundaries of the District form a closure; finding that all property will be benefited thereby; amending Section 11 of Article 8280-365, V.T.C.S., to grant the District the power to contract for the purchase and/or sale of water, to levy, collect and pledge taxes for the payment of all obligations incurred under contracts to purchase water, to contract for the transportation, treatment and disposal of wastes to accomplish, among other purposes, the purposes of the Regional Waste Disposal Act, and making said Act applicable to the District and to contract with the City of Houston; providing that this Act shall not validate any act or proceeding which is the subject of litigation; finding that the requirements of Article 16, Section 59(d) of the Constitution have been accomplished; providing a severability clause; enacting other provisions relating to the subject; and declaring an emergency."

H. B. No. 1278, A bill to be entitled "An Act relating to the creation, establishment, maintenance and operation of Hidalgo County Drainage District Number Two under the provisions of Article XVI, Section 59, of the Texas Constitution; providing said District with powers of eminent domain; conferring management and control thereof upon the Commissioners' Court of Hidalgo County; designation of certain county officials to serve District and authorization for employment of a manager and others;

authorization and procedure for District's issuance of bonds and levy of a maintenance tax; authority and methods for effecting construction of drainage facilities; finding a benefit to all land and other property within the District; providing that if any part of this Act is found to be invalid or unconstitutional, that it will not otherwise affect the remainder; finding that notice as provided by law has been given prior to the introduction of this Act; and declaring an emergency."

H. B. No. 1344, A bill to be entitled "An Act creating a conservation and reclamation district under the provisions of Article XVI, Section 59, Constitution of Texas, to be known as Greenwood Utility District of Harris County, Texas; defining its boundaries and finding their closure; finding benefits to the land and other property in the district; prescribing its rights, powers, privileges and duties; providing that no confirmation election shall be required; providing for its governing body; authorizing the levy and assessment of taxes and adopting the ad valorem basis of taxation; authorizing the issuance and refunding of bonds and prescribing their terms and security; authorizing the investment of bond proceeds; prescribing the procedure for annexing land; providing that no exclusion hearing shall be required except under certain circumstances; requiring supervision by the Texas Water Rights Commission; requiring the district to establish an office; providing for the selection of a depository; requiring audits and a system of accounts; containing provisions that its bonds are legal investments and eligible to secure public deposits; providing that except for its creation the district shall be subject to the provisions of Article 970a and subject to the provisions of Article 1182c-1, Vernon's Texas Civil Statutes; providing that the district shall bear the sole expense of the relocation of certain facilities; containing other provisions relating to the subject; providing that the district's properties shall not be subject to taxation; providing a severability clause; finding of notice of intention to introduce this Act; and declaring an emergency."

H. B. No. 1368, A bill to be entitled "An Act creating Rio Grande Valley

Municipal Water Authority, a conservation district, under Article XVI, Section 59, of the Constitution, comprising the territory contained in certain cities and towns of the Counties of Cameron, Hidalgo, Starr and Willacy, as of the 1st day of January, 1969, for the purpose of providing a source of water supply for municipal, domestic and industrial use and diverting, impounding, storing, treating and transporting the same; providing for a board of directors for the government of said authority; providing the means of annexing additional territory to the Authority; authorizing the Authority to obtain permits from the Texas Water Rights Commission authorizing the Authority to acquire land and properties for its purposes by condemnation; providing that any construction contract in excess of \$25,000 should be made only after publication of notice; authorizing the Authority to issue bonds and providing for the payment and security thereof; providing that said bonds shall be payable from revenues; authorizing the issuance of refunding bonds; authorizing the execution of a trust indenture to secure bonds; authorizing the Authority to enter into contracts with cities and others for supplying water to them; providing for the approval of bonds issued by the Authority and contracts entered into by the Authority by the Attorney General and registration of bonds by the Comptroller of Public Accounts of the State of Texas; prescribing other powers and duties of the Authority; authorizing other provisions relating to the subject; providing a severability clause; and declaring an emergency."

Respectfully submitted,

DOROTHY HALLMAN,
Chief Clerk, House of Representatives

Senate Bill 744 on Second Reading

On motion of Senator Watson, and by unanimous consent, the regular order of business was suspended to take up for consideration at this time on its second reading and passage to engrossment:

S. B. No. 744, A bill to be entitled "An Act repealing Article 5571, Revised Civil Statutes of Texas, 1925, relating to cotton under lien; and declaring an emergency."

The bill was read second time and passed to engrossment.

Senate Bill 744 on Third Reading

Senator Watson moved that the Constitutional Rule and Senate Rule 30 requiring bills to be read on three several days be suspended and that S. B. No. 744 be placed on its third reading and final passage.

The motion prevailed by the following vote:

Yeas—28

Aikin	Herring
Bates	Hightower
Bernal	Jordan
Berry	Kennard
Blanchard	Mauzy
Bridges	McKool
Brooks	Moore
Christie	Patman
Cole	Ratliff
Connally	Schwartz
Hall	Snelson
Harrington	Watson
Harris	Wilson
Hazlewood	Word

Absent—Excused

Creighton	Strong
Grover	

The President Pro Tempore then laid the bill before the Senate on its third reading and final passage.

The bill was read third time and was passed.

Senate Resolution 705

Senator Word offered the following resolution:

Whereas, The Honorable Ralph M. Hall has attained the illustrious age of 39 years; and

Whereas, Senator Hall has diligently and with dedication served the people of the 9th Senatorial District of Texas for 6 years; and

Whereas, Senator Hall served with honor and integrity for 12 years as County Judge of Rockwall County; and

Whereas, Elementary mathematics reveal that the Senator began serving the people of Texas at the tender age of 21; and

Whereas, The Honorable Hall did serve as Governor of the great State of Texas for at least one day; and

Whereas, On the auspicious occasion of Senator Hall's birthday on May 3,

1969, this august Body was not in session, thus preventing said Body from properly observing the occasion of his birthday; now, therefore, be it

Resolved by the Senate of the State of Texas, That Senator Ralph M. Hall be congratulated for surviving to the ripe old age of 39; and, be it further

Resolved, That he be afforded the honor of retaining his vigor, stamina, and vitality, and that the Senate of the State of Texas do so order it.

WORD

Signed: Lieutenant Governor Ben Barnes; Aikin, Bates, Bernal, Berry, Blanchard, Bridges, Brooks, Christie, Cole, Connally, Creighton, Grover, Harrington, Harris, Hazlewood, Herring, Hightower, Jordan, Kennard, Mauzy, McKool, Moore, Patman, Ratliff, Schwartz, Snelson, Strong, Watson, and Wilson.

The resolution was read and was adopted.

On motion of Senator Aikin, and by unanimous consent, the names of the Lieutenant Governor and Senators were added to the resolution as signers thereof.

On motion of Senator Word, and by unanimous consent, the staff of Senator Hall's office was extended privileges of the floor to sing "Happy Birthday" to their "boss."

Senate Bills on First Reading

By unanimous consent, the following local bills were introduced, read first time and referred to the Committee indicated:

By Senator Schwartz:

S. B. No. 803, A bill to be entitled "An Act authorizing the Board of Directors of the Galveston County Water Control and Improvement District No. 1 to refund any taxes collected from, and to forgive any unpaid taxes or penalties for unpaid taxes levied against, certain real property; providing that such repayment shall be made in a fair and uniform manner; and declaring an emergency."

To the Committee on Water and Conservation.

By Senator Schwartz:

S. B. No. 804, A bill to be entitled "An Act amending Chapter 124, Acts

of the 54th Legislature Regular Session, 1955, as last amended by Chapter 353, Acts of the 58th Legislature, Regular Session, 1963 (Article 326k-28, Revised Civil Statutes of Texas), relating to the official duties and compensation of the Criminal District Attorney of Galveston County; and declaring an emergency."

To the Committee on County, District and Urban Affairs.

Bills Signed

The President Pro Tempore announced the signing by the President in the presence of the Senate after the caption had been read, the following enrolled bill:

S. B. No. 800, A bill to be entitled "An Act providing for a new effective date for S. B. No. 64, Regular Session, 1969, by amending Chapter 18, Section 16, Acts of the 61st Legislature, Regular Session, 1969; and declaring an emergency."

Memorial Resolutions

S. R. No. 689—By Senator Aikin: Memorial resolution for John E. Meade.

S. R. No. 690—By Senator Herring: Memorial resolution for Alvin J. Pfluger.

S. R. No. 691—By Senator Herring: Memorial resolution for Leonard C. East (amended).

S. R. No. 692—By Senator Snelson: Memorial resolution for Lloyd Presler Bloodworth.

S. R. No. 695—By Senator Watson: Memorial resolution for Mrs. Jack Briggs.

S. R. No. 696—By Senator Watson: Memorial resolution for Joseph Albert Bates.

S. R. No. 697—By Senator Watson: Memorial resolution for Mrs. Gussie Matula.

S. R. No. 698—By Senator Watson: Memorial resolution for Henry W. Brown.

S. R. No. 699—By Senator Watson: Memorial resolution for Sergeant Felix M. Conde-Falcon.

Welcome Resolutions

S. R. No. 688—By Senator Watson: Extending welcome to teachers and students of Hallsburg School.

S. R. No. 694—By Senator Watson: Extending welcome to Mr. and Mrs. Ted C. Lucenay of Waco.

S. R. No. 700—By Senator Hall: Extending welcome to sponsors and members of Denton National Honor Society.

S. R. No. 702—By Senator Watson: Extending welcome to teacher and students of St. Louis School of Waco.

S. R. No. 703—By Senator Harrington: Extending welcome and privileges of floor for the day to Dr. and Mrs. B. B. Elster of Port Arthur.

S. R. No. 704—By Senator Watson: Extending welcome to Vernon Walton of Waco.

Adjournment

On motion of Senator Aikin the Senate at 12:10 o'clock p.m. adjourned until 10:30 o'clock a.m. tomorrow.

APPENDIX**Sent to Governor**

May 5, 1969

S. B. No. 237
S. B. No. 284
S. B. No. 526
S. B. No. 535
S. B. No. 543
S. B. No. 159
S. B. No. 260
S. B. No. 317
S. B. No. 800

SIXTY-FIFTH DAY

(Tuesday, May 6, 1969)

The Senate met at 10:30 o'clock a.m., pursuant to adjournment, and was called to order by the President.

The roll was called and the following Senators were present:

Aikin	Bernal
Bates	Berry

Blanchard	Jordan
Bridges	Kennard
Brooks	Mauzy
Christie	McKool
Cole	Moore
Connally	Patman
Creighton	Ratliff
Grover	Schwartz
Hall	Snelson
Harrington	Strong
Harris	Watson
Hazlewood	Wilson
Herring	Word
Hightower	

A quorum was announced present.

Reverend W. H. Townsend, Chaplain, offered the invocation.

On motion of Senator Aikin, and by unanimous consent, the reading of the Journal of the proceedings of yesterday was dispensed with and the Journal was approved.

Bills Signed

The President signed in the presence of the Senate after the caption had been read, the following enrolled bills:

S. B. No. 285, A bill to be entitled "An Act amending Section 6, Chapter 729, Acts of the 60th Legislature, Regular Session, 1967 (Article 2922-1i, Vernon's Texas Civil Statutes), relating to withdrawal of accumulated contributions from the Teachers Retirement System on electing to participate in the Optional Retirement Program; and declaring an emergency."

S. B. No. 498, A bill to be entitled "An Act providing that local school boards of all public school districts of Texas shall have authority to set a retirement age for its professional and supportive personnel; and declaring an emergency."

Message From the House

Hall of the House of Representatives
Austin, Texas,
May 6, 1969.

Hon. Ben Barnes, President of the Senate.

Sir: I am directed by the House to inform the Senate that the House has passed the following:

H. C. R. No. 96, Creating a special committee to gather and coordinate all pertinent information possible with regard to both congressional re-